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TARGET OF EWS PLOTS/SLUM HOUSING UNITS
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Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Master Plan of Delhi as approved in 1990 sets a target of about 4.5 lakh EWS plots/slum x-housing units to be created during 1990-2001;

(b) whether the target has been achieved;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) if not, the reasons therefor;

(e) the number of families found to be living in Jhuggis in Delhi in 2001 and the backlog in accordance to the Master Plan targets;

(f) the legal/constitutional basis for fixing cut-off dates later to deprive slum families in the city legible for access to housing/resettlement;

(g) whether the Master Plan of Delhi stipulates minimum plot-size of 25 sq.m. (with open cluster housing) and maximum density of 250 units/hectare;

(h) if so, whether the Government have further reduced the size of plots to 12.5 sq.m. in resettlement scheme in Narela, Bhalaswa etc. and row housing in Rohini etc.;

(i) if so, the facts thereof; and

(j) the legal basis and the authority which has given the technical advice in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT & POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI PON RADHAKR)

(a): The Master Plan of Delhi - 2001 envisaged requirementof about 3.27 lacs housing units for Slum Housing and also housing in the form of `Site & Services` for projected year 2001.

(b)to(d): The Municipal corporation of Delhi (MCD) has reported thatas per the policy of the Government of National Capital Territory of Delhi (GNCTD) plots have been providedto over 47,000 families for Relocation of JJ clusters, till the endof October 2002. The Delhi Development Authority (DDA) has also reported to have provided 15000 plots in the last three years on site cum service pattern to slum dwellers for their relocation.

(e): The MCD has reported that no comprehensive survey has been conducted,recently in order to ascertain the number slum dwellers in Delhi. However, in 1990, the Food & Civil Supplies Deptt.of GNCTD had conducted a survey and identified 2.60 lacs jhuggi families staying in and around 929 JJ cluster located in different parts of Delhi.

(f): The relocation of JJ clusters in Delhi has been takenup as a Plan scheme since 1990-91 by GNCTD.The Central Government had given its consent in October 2000 for extension of cut off date to 31.12.98, based on a proposal of GNCTD.Relocation of slum clusters done from time to time is dependant on availability of land and services in the area where these families are relocated.

(g): The Master Plan for Delhi-2001 provides for resettlement of Jhuggi Jhopri (JJ) and in-situ upgradation as under:

i) Maximum net density of 250 tenements per hectare

ii) Plot size-minimum 25 sqm. however, it may be reduced to 16 sqm with 100% coverage provided an area @ 7 sqm per plot/tenement is clubbed with the cluster open space.

(h)to(j): The slum and JJ Department ofthe MCD provides relocation plots to slum dwellers as per the policy of the GNCTD in implementation of Plan Scheme for relocation of JJ Clusters. Accordingto this policy, plots measuring 18 sqm and 12.5 sqm are allotted to jhuggi families, eligible for relocation. Keeping in view the limited availability of land, the jhuggi families who squatted at the

JJ clusters prior to 31.01.1990 are allotted plots measuring 18 sqm and those, who squatted in JJ clusters after 31.01.1990 and upto 31.12.1998 are allotted 12.5 sqm plots.